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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT FOR REASONS OF ALLOWANCE

In the Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due mailed on July 25, 2005, the Examiner provided a Statement for Reasons of Allowance. In regard to claim 1, Applicants do not necessarily agree with the Examiner's statement that "the only prior art of record whose combination discloses applicant's claimed invention are commonly assigned and have been successfully overcome via the provisions set forth in 35 U.S.C. §103(c)." Although Applicants agree that claim 1 and all claims dependent thereon have overcome the rejections in reliance upon 35 U.S.C. §103(c), Applicants do not agree the references relied upon by the Examiner are sufficient to render the claimed subject matter as obvious. Similarly, in regard to claim 16,

although Applicants removed the references cited by the Examiner in reliance upon 35 U.S.C. §103(c), Applicants do not agree that the references were sufficient to render the claimed subject matter as obvious.

Respectfully submitted,

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